

Appl. No. 10/749,565

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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1(canceled).

2(currently amended). The herbal extract according to ~~claims 1~~ claim 19, wherein a pre-extraction step ~~may be~~ is performed before said extraction step by using any solvents selecting from [[a]] the group consisting of methanol and ethanol ~~as necessary~~.

3(canceled).

4(canceled).

5(currently amended). The herbal ~~extracts~~ extract according to ~~claims 4~~ claim 19, wherein said purification step is performed with dichloromethane/ethyl acetate as [[the]] an elution solution.

6(currently amended). The herbal extract according to ~~claims 1~~ claim 19, wherein said low polarity solvents include solvents with [[the]] a dielectric constant less than 10.

7(currently amended). The herbal extract according to ~~claims~~ claim 6, wherein said low polarity solvents include ethyl acetate, dichloromethane, chloroform, carbon tetrachloride, cyclohexane, normal hexane, normal butyl alcohol, or benzene.

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8(currently amended). The herbal extract according to ~~claims~~ 1 claim 19,
wherein said ~~viruses~~ are enteroviruses anti-viral activity is enterovirius activity.

Claims 9-18(canceled).

19(new). An herbal extract having anti-viral activity prepared by extracting comminuted *Fructus Ligustri Lucidi*(privet fruit), *Rhizoma Polygonati*(sealwort), *Herba Agrimoniae*(agrimonia), *Radix Rehmanniae Glutinosae Conquitae*(steamed glutinous rehmannia)or a mixture thereof, with at least one low polarity solvent, to obtain a crude extract, purifying said crude extract by gel filtration by placing said crude extract on a column packed with silica gel and eluting said crude extract to obtain a purified herbal extract.